CITY COUNCIL ATLANTA, GEORGIA

AN ORDINANCE

BY COUNCILMEMBER CATHY WOOLARD

AS SUBSTITUTED BY FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 130-83 AND 130-84 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA SO AS TO CHANGE THE BILLING CYCLE AND THE METHOD BY WHICH SANITARY SERVICE CHARGES ARE ASSESSED AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS as follows:

Section 1: Sections 130-83 and 130-84 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta as set forth in Exhibit A hereto attached, are hereby deleted in their entirely and the language set forth in Section 130-83 and 130-84 as contained in Exhibit B hereto attached, are hereby substituted in lieu thereof.

Section 2: Said amendments shall become effective January 1, 2001.

<u>Section 3</u>: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED as amended by the Council APPROVED by the Mayor

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Sec. 130-83. Billing and collection.

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- (a) Sanitary service charge. The assessment and collection of sanitary service charges as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. The assessment and collection of annual charges shall be made quarterly with the first installment due and payable on January 1. The first installment shall be based on charges established for the previous year. If the charges are revised as provided for in this division, the remaining installments will be revised to reflect the revised annual rate.
- (b) Commercial and industrial surcharge.
  - (1) The assessment and collection of commercial and industrial surcharges as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. The assessment and collection of annual charges shall be made quarterly with the first installment due and payable on January 1. The first installment shall be based on charges established for the previous year. If the charges are revised as provided for in this division, the remaining installments will be revised to reflect the revised annual rate.
  - (2) The tenant occupying or the owner of the commercial and industrial property, as the case may be, shall submit to the city on forms furnished by the city an estimate of the volume of solid waste, either bags or industrial containers with cubic yard sizes, required to be removed during a one-week period and an estimate of the number of collections per week required to remove that waste. The estimates shall be submitted to the city at least 11/2 months prior to the quarterly billing period. The quarterly surcharge shall be based on the estimate so furnished.
  - (3) At any one time during any calendar quarter, if a revised estimate is received by the city on a date which is at least 17 days before the end of the quarter, each industrial and commercial occupant or owner shall have the right to revise the estimate previously submitted to the city so as to amend, modify or change the estimate as to the type of service, the number of pickups per week or the volume of service per pickup.
  - (4) Solid waste collection service by the city may be instituted at any time during the calendar quarter upon the industrial and commercial occupant or owner submitting to the commissioner of public works the estimate as provided in this subsection and a requested date of the commencement of the service.
  - (5) Upon the cessation of any industrial or commercial business, by written notice, any industrial and commercial occupant or owner may discontinue solid waste collection service by the city upon giving written notice of the date the service is to be terminated, provided that the notice is received by the bureau of sanitary services not later than the 15th day of the calendar month preceding the next calendar quarter billing period. The termination date of the service must be subsequent to the date the notice is received by the city.
  - (6) The commissioner of public works shall from time to time, for periods of one week or longer, audit the volume of solid waste being removed from these properties and the number of pickups required for removal and shall thereafter adjust by decreasing or increasing the amount of the surcharge for the property audited so that the surcharge shall conform and be based upon the results of the audit.
- (c) Junked automobile removal charge. The assessment and collection of junked automobile removal charges as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. The assessment of these charges for the removal of these automobiles shall be made when the automobile is removed by the city. Payment shall

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be due and payable within 14 days of the assessment.

(d) Charges for disposal of solid waste at city facilities. The assessment and collection of charges for disposal of solid waste at city facilities as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. Payment of disposal charges shall be made by coupons purchased from the city before the waste is dumped at the disposal facility.

(Code 1977, § 9-6125)

#### Sec. 130-84. Rates and charges.

The following rates and charges are hereby established for solid waste collection:

(1) Residential rate: \$208.59 per year plus \$23.54 for each 25 feet or fraction thereof of paved street frontage and, to cover rubbish collection costs for unpaved frontage, \$16.82 per 25 feet or fraction thereof of unpaved street frontage up to maximum of 200 feet. In calculating the charge, paved frontage is calculated first and then unpaved frontage, up to a maximum.

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- (2) Duplex or triple rate: As above for each residence, plus \$208.59 per year for each unit in excess of one.
- (3) Apartments, condominiums, townhomes, public housing or any other multiple-family units (apartments) rates: \$163.16 per year for each 100 feet or fraction thereof of paved street frontage, and to cover rubbish collection costs for unpaved frontage \$67.29 per year for each 100 feet or fraction thereof of unpaved street frontage plus one of the following charges, as appropriate.
  - a. Two hundred eight dollars and fifty-nine cents per year, per each dwelling unit where the garbage from apartments, condominiums, townhouses, public housing or any other multiple-family units is collected from individual containers, garbage cans or bags;
  - b. One hundred eighty-three dollars and thirty-seven cents per year each dwelling unit where the garbage from apartments, condominiums, townhouses, public housing or any other multiple-family units is collected from industrial containers;
  - c. Where the dwelling units or apartments are located in building structures with incinerator [s], duly installed and operating therein in accordance with all laws and regulations applicable to incinerators, depositing only incinerator refuse, and if the collection is from industrial containers grouped together, as hereinafter defined, the amount shall be \$53.82 per year each dwelling unit; if such containers are not grouped together, then the amount shall be \$122.79 per year per each dwelling unit; for the purposes of this section, industrial containers are grouped together when such containers are located physically adjacent with only sufficient space between such containers to permit access and pickup by the city collection equipment without the movement or shifting of any of said containers in order to gain access to any other of said containers;
  - d. Fifty-four dollars and eighty-seven cents per year each dwelling unit to which collection and removal services are made available; to collect garbage from apartments, condominiums, town houses, public housing or any other multiple-family units.
- (4) Residential back year [yard] removal: \$962.21 per year.
- (5) Mobile home parks:
  - a. Individual garbage cans: \$193.35 per year.
  - b. Installed industrial containers: \$479.42: See (7)
- (6) Commercial and industrial rates:
  - a. One hundred ninety and nine cents per year for each 25 feet or fraction thereof of

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- b. Ninety-two dollars and fifty-two cents per year for each 25 feet of fraction thereof of street frontage for property located in all areas receiving special thoroughfare street cleaning (at least once a week) in addition to street cleaning at the same frequency as residential service (once per three weeks);
- c. Seventy-two dollars and thirty-three cents per year for each 25 feet or fraction thereof of three [street] frontage for all other commercial and industrial property receiving street cleaning at the same frequency as residential (once per three weeks);
- d. Sixteen dollars and eighty-two cents per year for each 25 feet or fraction thereof of unpaved street frontage for commercial and industrial property abutting unpaved streets to cover rubbishes collection cost.
- (7) Public property charge for services which have been contracted. A flat charge of \$479.42 per year for each parcel in lieu of the frontage charge. For public housing charges, see subsection (3)a.--d. For government buildings garbage collection, see surcharges, subsection (6).
- (8) Vacant parcels (improved and unimproved): A charge on the first 250 feet of frontage to cover street cleaning and rubbish collection based on the zoning class of the property; residential to be charged as in subsection (1), apartments to be charged as in subsection (3)d., and commercial/industrial to charged as in subsection (6).
- (9) Building of public worship rate: \$31.42 per year for each 25 feet or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of 250 feet, of paved street frontage to cover street cleaning and rubbish collection costs; \$13.09 per year for each 25 feet or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of 250 feet, or unpaved street frontage for rubbish collection costs. In addition to the front footage levy listed above, there shall be a charge of \$208.59 per year for solid waste collection collected from individual containers, garbage cans or bags or a charge of \$183.37 per year if the solid waste collection is collected from industrial containers.
- (10) A minimum of \$1.10 per ton payable to the city by all private landfill site operations and transfer station operations located within the city for refuse disposed, collected, handled, processed or reclaimed within the jurisdiction of the city. Fees must correspond with tonnage handled and will be payable quarterly and prior to issuance of annual permits.

As required by O.G.C.A § 12-8-39, all user fees collected in accordance with this subsection will be deposited in a local restricted account and used solely for solid waste management purposes.

(Ord. No. 1998-10, § 2, 2-16-98; Ord. No. 2000-5, § II, 2-15-00)

Chapters 131--133 RESERVED

Chapter 134 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS\*

<sup>\*</sup>Cross reference(s)--Finance, § 2-906 et seq.; streets, sidewalks and other public places, ch. 138; sewer construction and assessments, § 154-141 et seq.

## Sec. 130-83. Billing and collection.

(a) Sanitary service charge. The assessment and collection of sanitary service charges as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. The assessment and collection of annual charges shall be due and payable on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1. The first installment shall be based on charges established for the previous year. If the charges are revised as provided for in this division, the remaining installments will be revised to reflect the revised annual rate.

## (b) Commercial and industrial surcharge.

- (1) The assessment and collection of commercial and industrial surcharges as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. The assessment and collection of annual charges shall be due and payable on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1. The first installment shall be based on charges established for the previous year. If the charges are revised as provided for in this division, the remaining installments will be revised to reflect the revised annual rate.
- (2) The tenant occupying or the owner of the commercial and industrial property, as the case may be, shall submit the city on forms furnished by the city an estimate of the volume of solid waste, either bags or industrial containers with cubic yard sizes, required to be removed during a one-week period and an estimate of the number of collections per week required to remove that waste. The estimates shall be submitted to the city at least 11/2 months prior to the billing period. The surcharge shall be based on the estimate so

furnished.

- (3) At any one time during any calendar quarter, if a revised estimate is received by the city on a date which is at least 17 days before the end of the quarter, each industrial and commercial occupant or owner shall have the right to revise the estimate previously submitted to the city so as to amend, modify or change the estimate as to the type of service, the number of pickups per week or the volume of service per pickup.
- (4) Solid waste collection service by the city may be instituted at any time during the calendar quarter upon the industrial and commercial occupant or owner submitting to the commissioner of public works the estimate as provided in this subsection and a requested date of the commencement of the service.
- (5) Upon the cessation of any industrial or commercial business, by written notice, any industrial and commercial occupant or owner may discontinue solid waste collection service by the city upon giving written notice of the date the service is to be terminated, provided that the notice is received by the bureau of sanitary services not later than the 15th day of the calendar month preceding the next calendar billing period. The termination date of the service must be subsequent to the date the notice is received by the city.
- (6) The commissioner of public works shall from time to time, for periods of one week or longer, audit the volume of solid waste being removed from these properties and the number of pickups required for removal and shall thereafter adjust by decreasing or

increasing the amount of the surcharge for the porperty audited so that the surcharge shall conform and be based upon the results of the audit.

(c) Junked automobile removal charge. The assessment and collection of junked automobile removal charges as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. The assessment of these charges for the removal of these automobiles shall be made when the automobile is removed by the city. Payment shall be due and payable within 14 days of the assessment.

(d) Charges for disposal of solid waste at city facilities. The assessment and collection of charges for disposal of solid waste at city facilities as set forth in this division shall be made by the city. Payment of disposal charges shall be made by coupons purchased from the city before the waste is dumped at the disposal facility.

### Sec. 130-84. Rates and charges.

The following rates and charges are hereby established for solid waste collection:

- (1) Residential rate: \$208.59 per year plus .94 cents per foot of paved street frontage, and to cover rubbish collection costs for unpaved frontage, .67 cents per foot of unpaved street frontage. In calculating the charge, paved frontage is calculated first and then unpaved frontage.
- (2) Duplex or triplex rate: As above for each residence, plus \$208.59 per year for each separate living unit in excess of one.

- (3) Apartments, condominiums, townhomes, public housing or any other multiple-family units (apartments) rates: \$1.63 per foot of paved street frontage, and to cover rubbish collection costs for unpaved frontage, .67 cents per foot of unpaved street frontage plus one of the following charges, as appropriate.
- a. Two hundred eight dollars and fifty-nine cents per year, **for** each dwelling unit where the garbage from apartments, condominiums, townhouses, public housing or any other multiple-family units collected from individual containers, garbage cans or bags:
- b. One hundred eighty--three dollars and thirty-seven cents per year **for** each dwelling unit where the garbage from apartments, condominiums, townhouses, public housing or any other multiple-family units is collected from industrial containers;
- c. Where the dwelling units or apartments are located in building structures with incinerator [s], duly installed and operating therein in accordance with all laws and regulations applicable to incinerators, depositing only incinerator refuse, and if the collection is from industrial containers grouped together, as hereinafter defined, the amount shall be \$53.82 per year for each dwelling unit; if such containers are not grouped together, then the amount shall be \$122.79 per year for each dwelling unit; for the purposes of this section, industrial containers are grouped together when such containers are located physically adjacent with only sufficient space between such containers to permit access and pickup by the city collection equipment without the movement or shifting of any of said containers in order to gain access to any other of said containers;

- d. Fifty-four dollars and eighty-seven cents per year **for** each dwelling unit to which collection and removal services are made available to collect garbage from apartments, condominiums, townhouse, public housing or any other multiple-family units.
- (4) Residential back yard removal; \$962.21 per year.
- (5) Mobile home parks:
  - a. Individual garbage cans: \$193.35 per year.
  - b. Installed industrial containers: \$479.42 per year. See (7)
- (6) Commercial and industrial rates:
- a. \$7.60 per foot of street frontage property located in all areas receiving street cleaning at a frequency of three to six times per week;
- b. \$3.70 per foot of street frontage for property for located in all areas receiving special thoroughfare street cleaning (at least once a week) in addition to street cleaning at the same frequency as residential service (once per three weeks);
- c. \$2.89 per foot of three [street] frontage for all other commercial and industrial property receiving street cleaning at the same frequency as residential (once per three weeks);
- d. .67 cents per foot of unpaved street frontage for commercial and industrial property abutting unpaved streets to cover rubbish collection cost.

- (7) Public property charge for services which have been contracted: A flat charge of \$479.42 per year for each parcel in lieu of the frontage charge. For public housing charges, see subsection (3) a.-d. For government buildings garbage collection, see surcharges, subsection (6).
- (8) Vacant parcels: A charge based upon street frontage to cover street cleaning and rubbish collection based on the zoning class of the property; residential to be charged as in subsection (1), apartments to be charged as in subsection (3)d, and commercial/industrial to be charged as in subsection (6).
- (9) Building of public worship rate: \$1.26 per foot of paved street frontage to cover street cleaning and rubbish collection costs; .52 cents per foot of unpaved street frontage for rubbish collection costs. In addition to the front footage levy listed above, there shall be a charge of \$208.59 per year for solid waste collection from individual containers, garbage cans or bags, or a charge of \$183.37 per year if the solid waste collection is from industrial containers.
- (10) A minimum of \$1.10 per ton payable to the city by all private landfill site operations and transfer station operations located within the city for refuse disposed, collected, handled, processed or reclaimed within the jurisdiction of the city. Fees must correspond with tonnage handled and will be payable quarterly and prior to issuance of annual permits.

As required by O.C.G.A. §12-8-39, all user fees collected in accordance with this subsection shall be deposited in a local restricted account and used solely for solid waste management purposes.

(11) Corner Lots: properties located on corner lots with two or more street frontages will be charged based on the footage of the street frontage which is the legal address of the property.

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